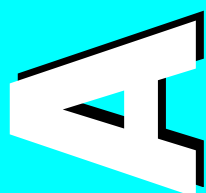
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## To: Pharmacy Providers

### PDL Update: 2005-2006 Flu Season

Effective January 20, 2006, the Alabama Medicaid Agency will temporarily add two anti-influenza drugs, **Tamiflu®** and **Relenza®**, to our Preferred Drug List (PDL). No prior authorization (PA) will be needed to dispense these products through March 31, 2006.

This change in preferred status is in response to the recent announcement by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding resistance of common medications used to treat or prevent influenza during the 2005-2006 influenza season.

For more information regarding the CDC announcement for this year's influenza season, please visit [www.cdc.gov/flu](http://www.cdc.gov/flu). For any additional questions regarding this announcement, please contact Alabama Medicaid's Pharmacy Services at (334) 242-5050.

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